

CHECKING YOUR IDOC QUARTERLY DATA FILE

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*Only Applicable to counties using PBS Software!

Run your Quarterly Report

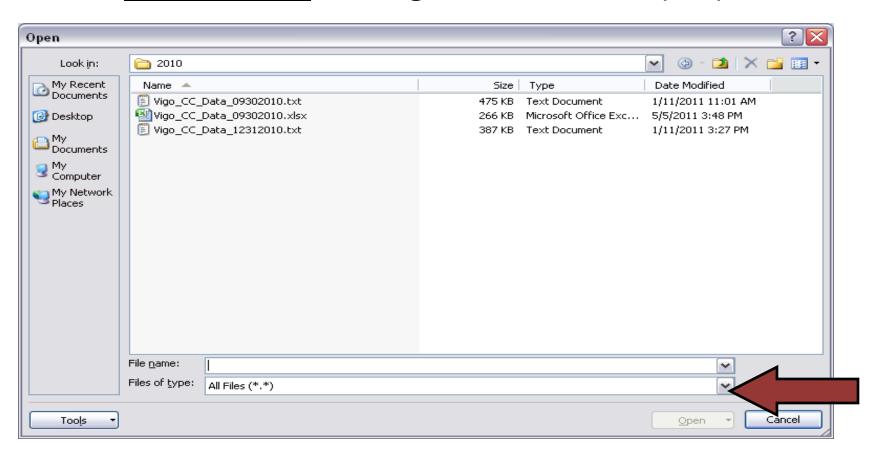
Run your Quarterly Data Tool – this is the PBS
 Data Collection tool you have been using since September.

 Make all the corrections and edits as you step through this tool – as always.

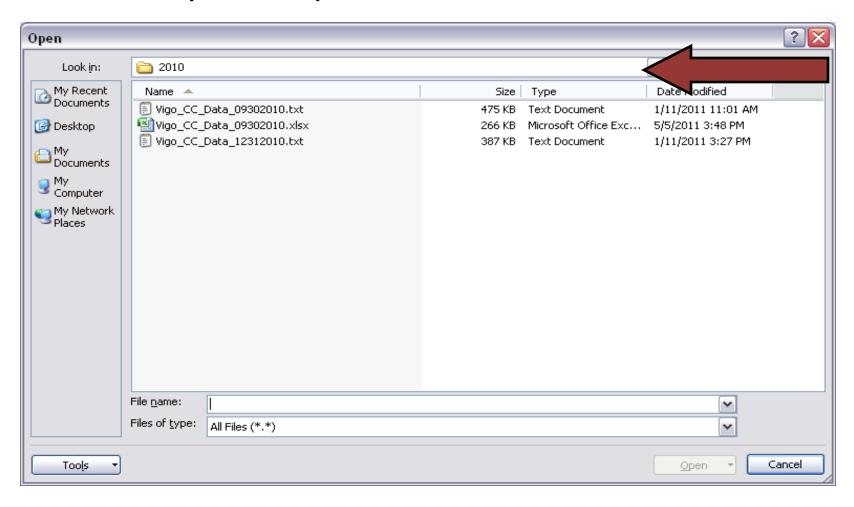
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- When you are finished editing click "Create Transfer File"
- File Name is ("Yourcounty"_CC_Data.txt)
- This is usually stored in your "my documents" folder on your PC (by default)
- Minimize or close the database

- Open Microsoft Excel
- Click "File Open"
- On "Files of Type" change it to "All Files (*.*)

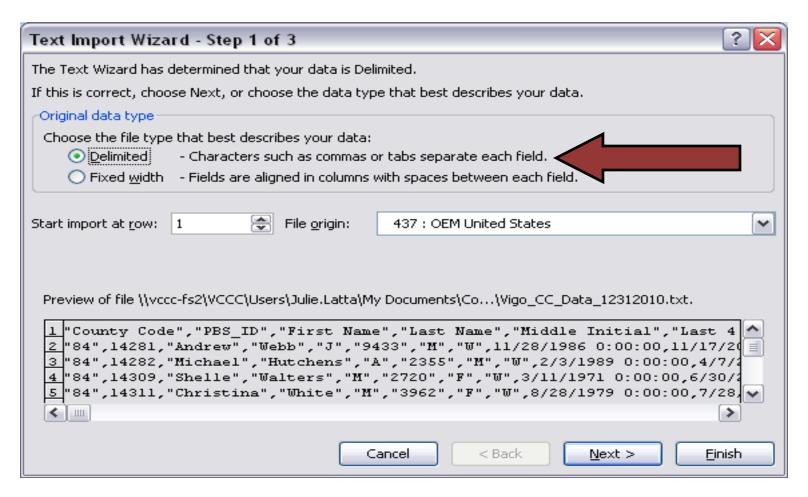


 In the "Look In" change it to the folder where your Quarterly Data Upload file is located.

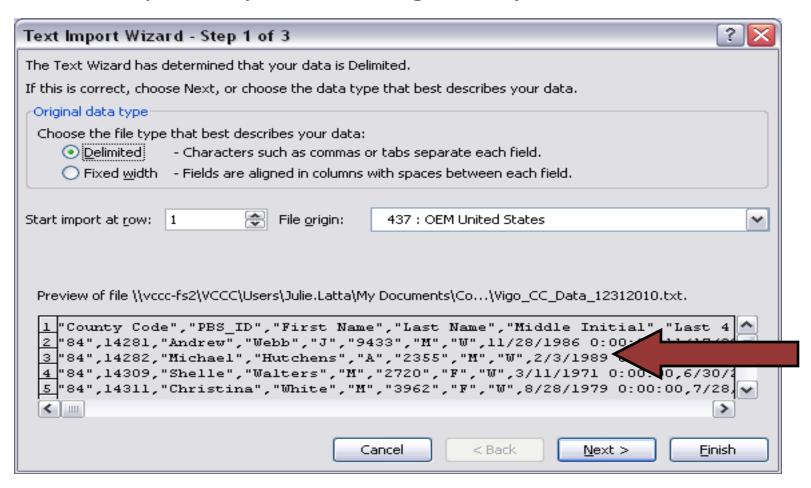


- Select your current file and click "OPEN"
- The "Text Import Wizard" will open and prompt you through 3 steps that will convert your data into a format that you can read and follow.
- Simply follow the questions as below.

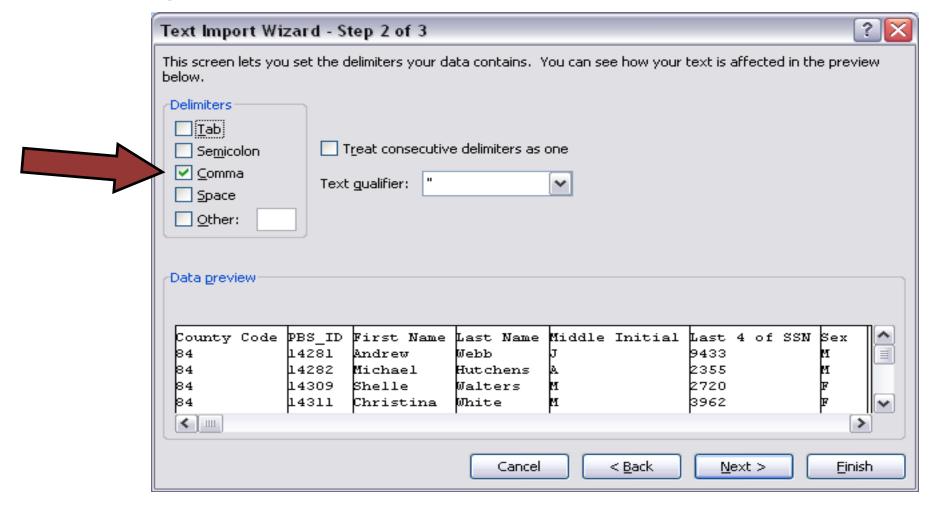
 When the Wizard opens – select "DELIMITED" – your data is "comma delimited" – or columns separated by commas



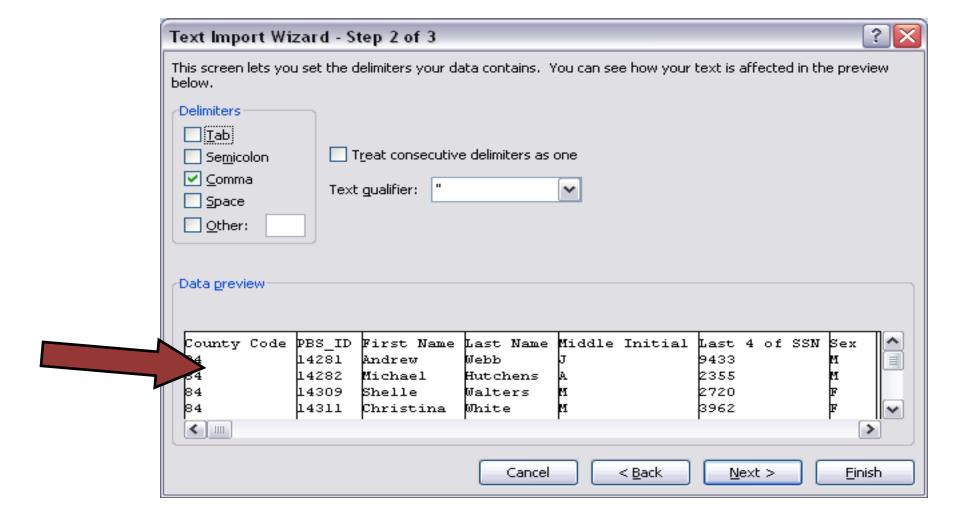
Your data is in the "Preview of file" section below. If you
open this file by notpad, etc., you would find it difficult to
read and possibly miss seeing all of your data.



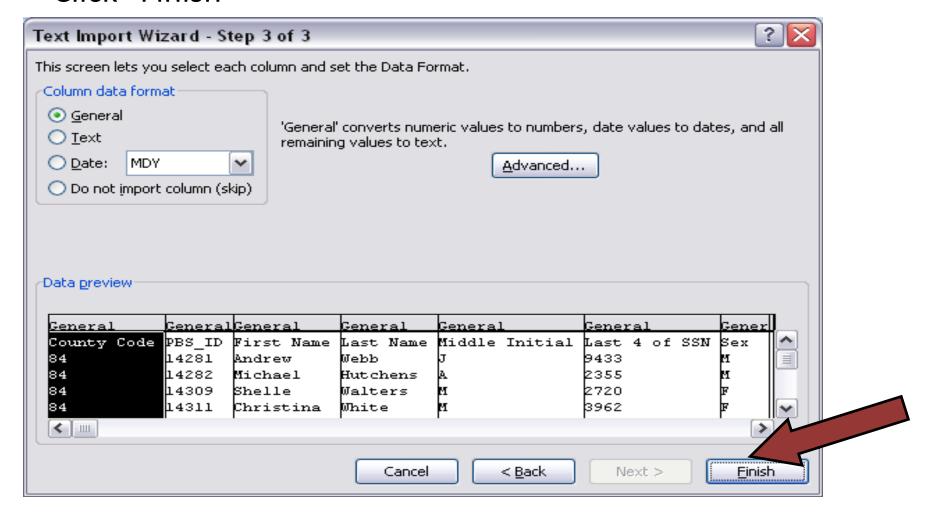
- Click "NEXT"
- Change the Delimiters box to select "Comma"



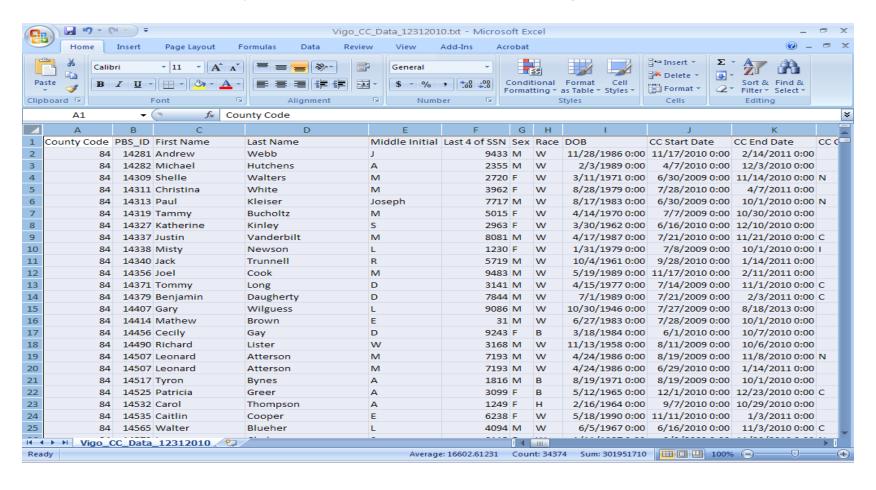
- Note that your data now appears in columns with headings
- Click "Next"



- This step will try to leave out columns you may not want we want all of them so...
- Click "Finish"



 Your data appears in a SPREADSHEET format for you to view easily with column headings.



- Look for "Missing Information" specifically in the Treatment columns.
- If the columns are empty and you know that you have recorded programs into Informer, then your Reports Database is pulling information from the wrong tables.

- Look in Informer and locate what tab staff is using to record program and service activity. Such as Matrix, GED, Life Skills, etc.
- For instance, our is under "Class" subtab in Case Information.
- Once this is identified, contact MARK with PBS so that your reports can be modified accordingly.

- Some of you may say the Quarterly Reports Data Tool has "Treatment Validation" etc.
- This looks for DATA ENTRY ERRORS therefore if there is no data stored in the table it is searching it will pull nothing since there is NO DATA.
- Your data is only as good as you record it. Make sure that your staff are recording data the same way across the board.



Questions?